



Smart Growth Planning Committee Hosts Intergovernmental Meeting

Thursday, October 9, 2003 –

Prior to this month's meeting, the City of Evansville Plan Committee invited representatives from neighboring communities, Rock County, the Evansville Community School District, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to attend the meeting to participate in a discussion about intergovernmental cooperation.

To begin the evening, Amy Emery, the City's Planning Consultant from OMNNI, welcomed everyone in attendance. Everyone was then asked to introduce himself or herself and identify whom they represented. Following these introductions, Ms. Emery presented an overview of the City's planning efforts to date.

At this point, a series of discussions were initiated to learn more about area plans that have been developed (or are being developed) by neighboring communities, state agencies, the school district and the county. The purpose of this discussion was to learn about plans that the City should become aware of as it seeks to develop the City of Evansville Comprehensive Plan.

Next, a discussion was initiated to identify intergovernmental successes and challenges. The Joint Fire /EMS District and recent efforts to coordinate with the WisDOT (with respect to the Hwy 14 improvements) were listed by participants as examples of successful intergovernmental cooperation. Participants indicated that additional efforts are needed to better community with Rock County with respect to county road improvements and economic development.

Small discussion groups were then set-up to consider what opportunities there are for additional intergovernmental cooperation in the future. The groups generated many wonderful ideas. The information gained during the meeting was used by OMNNI to create the first DRAFT of the Intergovernmental Element.

This initial draft is posted to this web page. In mid-October the draft will be distributed to representatives from neighboring communities, the school district, WisDOT, WDNR, and Rock County to consider additional changes. A revised draft will be presented to the Evansville Smart Growth Planning Committee in December. The revised draft will be posted on this web page in early 2004.

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